

State of North Carolina



MICHAEL F. EASLEY
GOVERNOR

POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY

2008

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, on National POW/MIA Recognition Day, we reaffirm our commitment to resolve the fate of those Americans who continue to be unaccounted for while serving our nation during World War II, Korea, Vietnam, and the Cold War; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina continues to provide a strong commitment to our state's active military, National Guard and Reserve personnel; and

WHEREAS, we remember those who are still missing in action, some 74,384 plus from World War II, Korea and Vietnam, of which 2,300 are from North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, on this day, the National League of Families POW/MIA flag, a black and white banner symbolizing America's missing, is flown over the White House, the U.S. Capitol, military installations and many homes throughout our great nation; and

WHEREAS, this flag is the symbol that reflects America's commitment to those service members who were imprisoned or missing while serving in the armed forces, to never rest until there is a full accounting of those who are still missing; and

WHEREAS, today North Carolina citizens are asked to remember in prayer and thoughts those service members who are unaccounted for and the courageous families left behind;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL F. EASLEY, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 19, 2008, as "**POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY**" in North Carolina, a day dedicated to all former American prisoners of war, to those still missing, and to their families, and I urge all residents of the State of North Carolina to join me in honoring these outstanding individuals.




MICHAEL F. EASLEY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this seventeenth day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America two hundred and thirty-third.